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SUBJECT: YAR VOTE ON UNGA KOREAN RESOLUTION

REF: SANA 3150, JIDDA 7590 (NOTAL)

SUMMARY: YAR FONMIN POLITICAL HEAD AHMED HADDAD HAS REPORTED THAT INSTRUCTIONS HAVE BEEN SENT TO YAR PERMREP TO ABSENT HIMSELF DURING ALL UNGA VOTES ON KOREA.

1. DCM CALLED ON YAR FONMIN POLITICAL SECTION CHIEF AHMED HADDAD ON NOV 16 TO CONVEY REPORT THAT KOREA VOTE MIGHT BE HELD IN UNGA ON NOV 18.

2. HADDAD SAID HE HAD BEEN TRYING CONTACT DCM TO FOLLOW-UP ON SANA REFTTEL CONVERSATION. HADDAD SAID HE HAD "MADE AN ISSUE" OF YAR KOREAN VOTE WITH ABDALLAH AL-ASNAJ, STRONGLY RECOMMENDING YARG ABSENT ITSELF DURING VOTE RATHER THAN GET IN MIDDLE OF EAST-WEST DISPUTE. ASNAJ THEN WENT TO PRESIDENT HAMDI, WHO AGREED, AND CABLE HAS NOW GONE TO PERMREP MAKKI.

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3. HADDAD ASKED DCM TO REPORT THAT THIS ACT TAKEN ONLY RPT ONLY BECAUSE OF USG STRONG DESIRES ON SUBJECT. ALTHOUGH YARG HAD NEVER INTENDED OR ACKNOWLEDGED ANY HOSTILE INTENTION TO US INTERESTS IN KOREA BY VOTING FOR RESOLUTION WHICH CALLED FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS "UNDER THE UN FLAG" IT PUT A HIGH VALUE ON USG FRIENDSHIP AND WAS THEREFORE WILLING TO RISK DISPLEASURE AND MISUNDERSTANDING OF PRC AND NORTH KOREA AS RESULT.

4. HADDAD COULD NOT RPT NOT SAY ANYTHING NICE ABOUT SOUTH KOREA. HE SAID THAT MAKKI TOLD ASNAJ WHEN LATTER IN NEW YORK THAT SOUTH KOREA DELEGATE THERE HAD OFFERED HIM "BRIBE" TO CHANGE YAR VOTE. MAKKI REFUSED, AND ASNAJ BROUGHT THIS STORY BACK TO YARG CABINET HERE. HADDAD POINTED OUT THAT MAKKI IS FORMER PRIMIN AND FOREIGN MIN AND ASSERTED ANGRILY THAT "BRIBE" WAS "CORRUPT ACT OF CORRUPT GOVERNMENT."

5. COMMENT. HADDAD IS TRUTHFUL AND ACCURATE REPORTER. WE HAVE NO RPT NO DOUBT CABLE HAS BEEN SENT. ON OTHER HAND, WHETHER BRIBE STORY IS TRUE OR INVENTION OF SOMEONE (MAKKI?) IS NOT RPT NOT POSSIBLE TO DETERMINE FROM SANA, BUT IT WOULD EXPLAIN WHY, AFTER ASNAJ HAD VISITED NEW YORK, MAKKI NEVERTHELESS CAST VOTE FOR ALGERIAN RESOLUTION AND HOSTILE RESOLUTION AND AGAINST FAVORABLE RESOLUTION. SIMILARLY, WE DON'T KNOW WHETHER MAKKI WILL OBEY NEWEST INSTRUCTIONS BUT THEY ARE ABSOLUTELY CLEAR AND HADDAD INSISTS MAKKI WILL NOT RPT NOT VOTE HIS OWN PREFERENCES OVER THOSE HIS GOVERNMENT. WE TEND TO AGREE, BUT USUN COULD CHECK MATTER, BEARING IN MIND THAT MAKKI MAY HAVE VERY SORE FEELINGS ON SUBJECT.

6. COMMENT: HADDAD ALSO ACKNOWLEDGED--WITHOUT ENTHUSIASM--THAT SOUTH KOREA WAS EXPECTED TO OPEN EMBASSY HERE NEXT YEAR. (FOR JIDDA: YOU MIGHT THEREFORE SAY TO KANG IN ROK EMBASSY JIDDA THAT IN RESPONSE HIS QUERY WE THEREFORE SEE NO RPT NO REASON FOR HIM VISIT AT THIS TIME.) ASSUMING VOTE GOES AS WE WANT IN UN, SOUTH KOREANS MIGHT CONSIDER WHAT STEPS THEY CAN TAKE IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
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OPENING OF EMBASSY HERE TO SMOOTH RUFFLED FEATHERS YEMENI DIGNITY. THERE WILL BE ANOTHER VOTE IN UN NEXT YEAR, AND ANY ROK EMBASSY HERE (OR ACCREDITED DIPLOMATS VISITING FROM JIDDA) WILL WANT TO HAVE GOOD POSITION TO DEAL WITH YEMENIS THEN. ONE STEP TO TAKE NOW: ROK SHOULD PROBABLY MOVE PROMPTLY TO TAKE 50,000 TONS OF SALT THEY HAVE FORMALLY AGREED TO TAKE. ANOTHER STEP: START NOW TO MOUNT AT EARLY DATE ROK TRADE AND INVESTMENT MISSION WHICH DISCUSSED DURING MINISTER

CHANG'S VISIT HERE.

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